

House Resolution No. 721

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Velma I. Patience of Maryville, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday on February 2, 2005; and

Whereas, on February 2, 1915, in Vallisca, Iowa, God brought a special gift to this great nation with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Velma, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Velma Patience had the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as her marriage in 1937 to Robert N. Patience and the births of their offspring; and

Whereas, God has blessed Velma Patience with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include her children and their spouses, Carolyn J. and Jon H. Burchfield of Lamoni, Iowa, and Robert W. and J. Jean Slykhuis Patience of Boonville; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Velma Patience further distinguished herself as an employee of the Earl May Seed Company in Shenandoah, Iowa, as a farmer, as an employee of the telephone switchboard and office at Bedison, Missouri, and as a housekeeping specialist for the lower grades at Horace Mann Elementary School at Northwest Missouri State University; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 90, Velma Patience is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Velma Patience at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri nonagenarian Velma Patience, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 721, adopted February 22, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker